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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

SUBJECT : Foreign Intelligence Staff Seminar at  
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1. The instructor staff at [REDACTED] took advantage of a rare opportunity last week when [REDACTED] and several of his senior Foreign Intelligence Staff assistants presented a three-day seminar on current FI policy, doctrine, operations and requirements.

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3. The lectures, discussions and responses to questions from the instructor audience were of uniformly high caliber and extremely informative. The seminar has contributed unquestionably to increasing the capability of OTR to carry on its training mission for the Clandestine Services.

4. Unfortunately, I was not able personally to attend the complete seminar. However, I did have an opportunity to participate throughout the first day and part of the second day. I was particularly impressed with the comprehensive and professional presentation by [REDACTED] on CIA requirements, problems, and techniques that are found in clandestine scientific and technical operations. My interest in the subject is quite natural because, as you know, the development and initiation of S & T operations training is a present high priority objective of OTR. [REDACTED] excellent exposition at the seminar, I feel, will assist in the early attainment of this objective.

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5. Normally, I would have directed this memorandum of appreciation to the Chief, FI Staff. However, I feel that the FI Staff has made such a significant contribution to Agency training requirements that it should be called to your attention directly.

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Director of Training

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